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LIVES OF THE FELONS.

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HENRY THOMAS,

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THE BURGLAR AND MURDERER.

Arrival in Portsmouth—A disappointment—Preparations for the fatal expedition—The start—The ambush—Another disappointment—Robbery of the grocery store—Return to Smith's—The burglars enter—The money drawn—The bed room—Surprise—Detection—The deadly struggle—The fatal result—Flight of the murderer and his accomplice.

We left Thomas and Maxon, the day after the commission of the arson by the former, near Wheeling, on their road from the latter place to Portsmouth. This latter movement took place on the 11th November, and was occasioned by some previous arrangements which had been made with Maxon by his old confederate Lusk, for a general meeting at Portsmouth on the 15th, for the purpose of committing a joint burglary on a store in Bourneville, which had long been picked out by the latter for an exploit in common.

On arriving in Portsmouth three days in advance of the appointment, Thomas and Maxon put up at McCoy's tavern in that place, and in anticipation of the stay they expected to make, both took some cloth which they had obtained at a previous burglary, and left it with a couple of tailors, with directions to have it made into new suits with all convenient speed. There were yet a few things which might be done to spend the interim with profit; and, in addition to their usual professional reconnoiterings about town, the rogues set about replenishing their kit of housebreakers' implements, some of which, by reason of certain recent precipitate movements, had been lost or left behind. In the course of these preparational Maxon managed to get a man named Haskell whom he had made acquaintance with at the hotel, to obtain a dark lantern for him, on pretence that he should need it in travelling down the river, as, in consequence of his liability to illness, he was frequently obliged to be taking medicine on board of the boat.

Having waited for Lusk until the 18th, and he still not making his appearance at that time, it was decided by the two robbers present, that they should postpone their enterprises no longer, but proceed to Bourneville and accomplish it, allowing to Lusk, however, one-third of the proceeds, in case he should be willing to stand an equal share of the expenses.

Having arranged matters on this equitable basis, the two robbers took stage for Chillicothe in the afternoon, and arrived at that city the next morning. After dinner, having prepared all the articles they wanted for the purpose in a couple of small bundles, the burglars started out a-foot towards Bourneville on the turnpike road, and arrived within a mile and a half of the town about sunset. At this time, seeing a party coming down the road from the direction of the village, they judged it prudent to jump a fence and to secret themselves in a corn field till they passed. Being in need of rest as well as of concealment, the rogues concluded to remain there until the approach of midnight should warrant the commencement of their deed, and having arrived at this determination they opened their wallet, and with the aid of a flask of brandy which Thomas carried in his overcoat pocket, made a hearty and refreshing supper; after which both fell off into a sound sleep.

The slumbers of Thomas could not be called repose, and through a period of four hours from the time of lying down, he experienced an agony of successive visionary terrors such as had never visited him before. They were the last and inscrutable forewarnings which repugnant nature opposed to her final and impending expulsion from the felon's breast. Rousing himself from his uneasy night-gare, the ruffian sprang to his feet, and after having rubbed the horrible visions from his eyes, regained his self-command and started his companion from his slumber. It was eleven o'clock, and the hour had arrived for their enterprise. Taking up their kit and examining anew their lantern, they set out towards the village. The people of the village had all retired to rest, and among others Frederick Edwards, a man in the employ of Douglass Smith, had stretched himself upon his peaceful couch, in a room adjoining and opening into the store of which he had the charge, and which the villains now designed to rob.

THOMAS MURDERING EDWARDS, AT BOURNEVILLE, OHIO.



The burglars approached the store of Mr. Smith, and Thomas taking from his bosom his bunch of skeleton keys, tried the door; but instantly on having done so, turned angrily to Maxon, and with some surprise remarked:

"I thought you told me that no one slept in the store?"

"Why, what's the matter?" said Maxon, stooping down as if he could discover the difficulty by looking in the key-hole.

"Lusk has deceived us!" continued Thomas, expressing strong chagrin. "There's some person inside, and he must have known it."

Without remark Maxon then took the key from his companion, and after trying the door for his own satisfaction, despondently exclaimed:—"There is a key in it, sure enough."

"Well, we have come all our way on a fool's errand," said Thomas, with the air of a deeply injured man, "and now I suppose we can go back again."

"Nay, not quite so bad as that, neither, Harry," added the other in a deprecating tone; "there's a grocery across the road that we can enter at any rate, if we can do no better;" and animated by the desire of making this atonement for the miscarriage of his old friend, the counterfeiter, led the way across the street. There was no key in the grocery door, and entering it without difficulty, the robbers rifled it of all its change; which however amounted to but three dollars, all told.

This professional episode restored Thomas to his equanimity, and yielding to his natural obstinacy of purpose which had temporarily been thrown off by his disappointment, he resolved to effect an entrance to the store of Smith at all hazards, and having come to this resolution he strided determinately across the road. Maxon did not attempt to oppose him, for he still insisted that he did not believe that any one slept inside. Thomas ascertained, by another experiment that he had not been deceived in supposing that there was a key in the lock, and pressing against the door he made a further discovery, which induced him to turn and say—"Why, there is a bar across the door! I tell you that there must be somebody inside."

"I don't believe it," replied Maxon; "I don't believe Lusk would have misled us; and moreover, I don't believe he was deceived. He has

driven a stage on this road for a long time, and he has been in the place very recently and made a thorough observation. I believe the persons who turned the key and put the bar up inside, have some back way of getting out."

"Well, then," answered Thomas, "if there's any one asleep inside, I'll soon wake them, that's all!" Saying which, he went to an end window, and finding the shutters clasped by an iron bar with a bolt in the end, seized the end of the bolt with a pincers, and turning it half round, commenced tapping it lightly, till he heard the key or wedge which secured it on the inside, fall to the floor. He then drew the bolt, took off the bar, opened the shutters, and found nothing between him and his object but the brittle glass. The latter offered but a trifling opposition to such a practised hand as his, and taking a chisel, he removed the sash in a twinkling, when, after listening a moment, he crawled through the aperture. No one perceived the movements of the ruffian but the all-seeing eye above, for an inevitable and impending fate had sealed the eyes of the doomed sleeper in the other room.

Having obtained access to the store as described above, Thomas removed the bar from the door, unlocked it, and let Maxon in. The latter then took a box of matches from his pocket, and having illumined the lantern, the former commenced ransacking the premises by its light. Having taken a general survey of the store, Thomas proceeded behind the counter to the drawer, but to his chagrin found nothing in it. As he was turning from it, Maxon, who was standing outside the counter holding up the light, suddenly raised his finger in an attitude of caution, and told Thomas he heard the ticking of a watch.

"Where?" said the leading ruffian, heedless of this evidence that its owner must be near.—"Where? In what direction?"

"Somewhere behind you, I believe," replied the counterfeiter.

Inclining his ear, Thomas, who was a little hard of hearing, receded three or four steps, when his dull tympanum catching the beat, he followed it directly to its source, and seized the watch from the wall.

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